What is claimed is:

- 1 A method for synchronously delivering complementary data to a first device and
- 2 a second device, the method comprising:
- 3 receiving a command through a network for synchronous transmission of
- 4 complementary data; and
- 5 transmitting first data through the network to the first device, the
- 6 transmission of the first data synchronized with transmission of second data
- 7 transmitted to a second device, the first and second data forming complementary
- 8 data.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the network is a telephone network
- 1 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the network is an Internet.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the network is a wireless network.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the network is a first network and second data is
- 2 transmitted to the second device through a second network.
- 1 6. The method of claim 5 wherein the second network is a telephone network
- 7. The method of claim 5 wherein the second network is an Internet.
- 1 8. The method of claim 5 wherein the second network is a wireless network.
- 1 9. The method of claim 5 wherein each of the first data and the second data is one
- 2 from the group consisting of audio data and video data.
 - 10. The method of claim 1 wherein the first device is a PDA.

- 1 11. The method of claim 1 wherein the first device is a telephone.
- 1 W. A system for synchronously delivering complementary data through a network,
- 2 the system comprising:
- 3 a control unit;
- a first device connected to the control unit through the network; and
- a second device connected to the control unit through the network, wherein
- 6 the control unit synchronously delivers complementary data to the first device and
- 7 the second device.
- 1 13. The system of claim 12 wherein the first device is a vehicle navigation system
- 2 and wherein the complementary data includes navigational video data delivered to
- 3 the first device and supplementary data delivered to the second device.
- 1 14. The system of claim 13 wherein the supplementary data is audio data.
- 1 15. The system of claim 12 wherein the first device is a video monitor and wherein
- 2 the complementary data includes video data delivered to the first device and subtitles
- 3 delivered to the second device.
- 1 16. A method for remotely controlling a telephone using a device connected to a
- 2 network, the network being connected to a telephone network through a gateway
- 3 server, the method comprising:
- 4 receiving a command to control a telephone from a device; and
- 5 controlling the telephone in accordance with the command, wherein the
- 6 receiving and controlling steps are executed at a location that is remote from the
- 7 location of the device and the location of the telephone.
- 1 17. The method of claim 16 wherein the functionality of the telephone is controlled
- 2 after a communication channel between the telephone and another device has been
- 3 established.

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- 1 M. A method for remotely controlling an appliance connected to a first network
 2 using a device connected to a second network, the first network connected to the
 3 second network through a gateway server, the method comprising:
 4 receiving a command to control an appliance from a device; and
 5 controlling the appliance in accordance with the command, wherein the
 6 receiving and controlling steps are executed at a location that is remote from the
 7 location of the device and the location of the appliance.
 - A method for delivering first data through a network for playback or display on a first device in synchronicity with playback or display of second data on a second device, the first data and the second data forming complementary data, the method comprising:
 - receiving a command through a network for transmission of complementary data; and
 - transmitting first data through the network to a first device for playback or display on the first device in synchronicity with playback or display of second data on a second device, wherein the first and second data form complementary data.
- 1 20. The method of claim 19 wherein the network is a telephone network
- 1 21. The method of claim 19 wherein the network is an Internet.
- 1 22. The method of claim 19 wherein the network is a wireless network.
- 1 23. The method of claim 19 wherein the network is a first network and second data
- 2 is transmitted to the second device through a second network.
- 1 24. The method of claim 23 wherein the second network is a telephone network
- 1 25. The method of claim 24 wherein the second network is an Internet.

- 1 26. The method of claim 24 wherein the second network is a wireless network.
- 1 27. The method of claim 24 wherein each of the first data and the second data is one
- 2 from the group consisting of audio data and video data.
- 1 28. The method of claim 19 wherein the first device is a PDA.
- 1 29. The method of claim 19 wherein the first device is a telephone.
- 1 30. A method for synchronously delivering complementary data to a device and a
- 2 PDA, the method comprising:
- receiving a command from the PDA through a first network, the first
- 4 network including a wireless network;
- 5 transmitting first data to through the first network; and
- 6 transmitting second data through a second network, the transmission of the
- 7 second data synchronized with the transmission of the first data, the first and second
- 8 data forming complementary data.
- 1 31. The method of claim 30 wherein the first data is transmitted to the PDA and the
- 2 second data is transmitted to a device.
- 1 32. The method of claim 30 wherein at least one of the first data and the second data
- 2 is either unicast or multicast to a predetermined collection of users or devices.
- 1 33. The method of claim 32 wherein the first data and second data are intended for
- 2 observation by the same entity or person.
- 1 31. The method of claim 30 wherein the first network is the Internet.
- 1 32. The method of claim 30 wherein the second network is the Internet.

- 1 33. The method of claim 30 wherein the first data is transmitted to the PDA.
- 1 34. The method of claim 33 wherein the first data is played on the PDA.
- 1 35. The method of claim 34 wherein the first data is textual data that is displayed on
- 2 the PDA.
- 1 36. The method of claim 34 wherein the first data is audio data.
- 1 37. The method of claim 30 wherein the first data is transmitted to a device, the
- 2 device being one from the collection of a telephone, a computer and a navigational
- 3 device.
- 1 38. The method of claim 37 wherein the second data is supplementary data.